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SUBJ: THIRD COMMITTEE--ASSISTANCE IN CASES OF NATURAL
DISASTER AND OTHER DISASTER SITUATIONS, ITEM 68

1. UN DISASTER RELIEF COORDINATOR MADE STATEMENT COVERING
STEPS TAKEN IN 17 DISASTERS LAST YEAR. TWO RESES SUBMITTED,
A/C.3/L.2082 BY IRAN AND A/C.3/L.2085 BY YUGOSLAVIA.
BOTH ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY AFTER SEVERAL AMENDMENTS. RES
2082 OP PARA 1 NOW READS:

"AUTHORIZES THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AS IN INTERIM MEASURE
TO DRAW ON THE WORKING CAPITAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$45,000 FOR 1974 AND \$60,000 FOR 1975 FOR ASSISTANCE TO
GOVERNMENTS, AT THEIR REQUEST, IN COOPERATION WITH THE
ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AND THE LEAGUE
OF RED CROSS SOCIETIES, WHERE APPROPRIATE, IN THE
ELABORATION OF NATIONAL PREPARATIONS TO MEET NATURAL
DISASTERS;"

RES 2085 OP PARAS 2 AND 3 NOW READ:

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"2. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND DIRECTOR-GENERAL

OF FAO TO CONTINUE TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO PROVIDE THE MOST EFFECTIVE POSSIBLE MATERIAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, IN COOPERATION WITH THE ORGANS AND AGENCIES CONCERNED, TO THOSE COUNTRIES IN THE SUDANO-SAHELIAN REGION WHICH REQUEST SUCH ASSISTANCE;"

"3. APPEALS ONCE AGAIN TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF MEMBER STATES, TO UNITED NATIONS ORGANS AND PROGRAMMES AND TO THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, CALLING UPON THEM, INTER ALIA, TO CONTINUE AND CONSIDER INCREASING THEIR ASSISTANCE TO THE SAHELIAN COUNTRIES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EMERGENCY RELIEF OPERATIONS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO JOINT APPEAL FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ISSUED ON 26 NOVEMBER 1973 BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF FAO;"

2. STATEMENT BY US REP (KITCHEN) WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN CHANGING BOTH RESES. HE MENTIONED US RESERVATIONS ABOUT USING "WORKING CAPITAL FUND" IN LIEU OF "REGULAR BUDGET APPROPRIATION," BUT ACCEPTED UK ORAL AMENDMENT, "AS AN INTERIM MEASURE." HE CITED US PARTICIPATION IN AND CONTRIBUTION TO DISASTER RELIEF AND NEW FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT PASSED BY HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES RECENTLY.
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